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Notice of Allowability	10/810,895 Examiner	TANAKA ET AL. Art Unit	
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The MAILING DATE of this communication appearance All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RI of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313	(OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this apport or other appropriate communication GHTS. This application is subject to	plication. If not included will be mailed in due co	ourse. <b>THIS</b>
1. $\boxtimes$ This communication is responsive to <u>RCE requested dated</u>	<u>1 04/27/06</u> .		
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-20</u> .			
<ul><li>3.  Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority un</li><li>a)  All b)  Some* c)  None of the:</li></ul>	nder 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).		
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3.  Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the			
International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).			
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Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.  THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.			
4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.			
5. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.			
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1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date	<u> </u>	,	
(b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date			
Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).			
6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.			
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## **DETAILED ACTION**

## Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after allowance or after an Office action under *Ex Parte Quayle*, 25 USPQ 74, 453 O.G. 213 (Comm'r Pat. 1935). Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, prosecution in this application has been reopened pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 04/27/06 has been entered.

## Allowable Subject Matter

- Claims 1-20 are allowed.
- 3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Claim 1 and dependent claims thereof are allowable at least for the inclusion of the limitation "a correction quantity determining device for determining correction quantity of each scanning direction with respect to a correction target colors basing on positional shift quantity of each scanning direction calculated by the positional shift calculating device and reliability coefficient of each scanning direction, and a positional correction device for conducting positional correction basing on correction quantity determined by the correction quantity determining device with respect out of respective images to be formed by the plural image forming sections, and reliability coefficients used by the correction quantity determining device differ by a main scanning direction and a sub scanning direction".

Claim 20 is allowable for the inclusion of the limitation "determining correction quantity of each scanning direction with respect to a correction target colors basing on positional reliability shift quantity of each scanning direction and coefficient of each scanning direction, and conducting positional correction basing on determined correction quantity, out of respective

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images to be formed by the plural image forming sections, coefficients used for determining correction quantity differ by a main direction and a sub scanning direction"

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Huan H. Tran whose telephone number is (571) 272-2261. The examiner can normally be reached on at work on T-F from 6:30am to 5pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Vip Patel can be reached on (571) 272-2458. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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